DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Notice of Request for Emergency Approval

In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the

Department of Agriculture (USDA) has submitted a request to the Office of Management and

Budget (OMB) for a six-month emergency approval of the following information collection:

ICR 0578-NEW, Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) Cooperative Agreement

Program. The requested approval would enable NRCS to carry out pilot projects under which local

units of government, schools, and tribal communities enter into cooperative agreements to develop

and test strategies for planning and implementing municipal composting plans and food waste

reduction plans.

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

TITLE: Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) Cooperative Agreements.

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0578-NEW.

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is

requesting emergency clearance and review through 5 CFR 1320.13 for a new information

collection for the. NRCS is using CFWR funds provided by the American Rescue Plan of 2021

(Pub L. 117-2) to assist local units of government, schools, and tribal communities in

implementing projects that help their communities generate compost, improve soil quality, and

reduce food waste.

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